

POLICE COMMISSION MINUTES

December 13, 2019

8:00 A.M.

IN ATTENDANCE: Robert Peter Guip – Police Commissioner Chairman
George E. Kennedy – Police Commissioner
Gene Ward – Police Commissioner
James Donohue – Assistant Chief of Police
Joseph Petruch – Chief of Police

Commissioner Guip asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ITEM I Motion was made to accept the minutes of the Police Commission Meeting dated November 22, 2019 as presented.

Commissioner Ward made a motion to accept November 22, 2019 minutes and was seconded by Commissioner Kennedy.

Commissioner Guip stated all in favor signify by saying, “Aye.” All replied, “Aye.”

Commissioner Guip stated, “Opposed, same sign.”

Commissioner Guip stated, “Motion carries unanimously.”

ITEM II STATISTICS REPORT

NONE

ITEM III LETTERS OF CORRESPONDENCE

Chief Petruch presented a letter of Commendation to Lt. James Bogner and Sgt. Nathaniel Dillahunty for their dedication in reducing gun violence in Merrillville and Northwest Indiana. They both have displayed a level of dedication and professionalism that goes unnoticed by most. Lt. Bogner and Sgt. Dillahunty were awarded Level I Commendations.

Chief Petruch presented a Letter of Resignation from Officer Bloch.

Chief Petruch presented a Letter of Resignation from Officer Jones.

ITEM IV OLD BUSINESS

NONE

ITEM V NEW BUSINESS

Chief Petruch read Resolution 959 promoting Probationary Patrolman Eran J. Meyer to Second Class Patrolmen effective from and after 12:01 AM, December 11, 2019.

Commissioner Ward made a motion to accept Resolution 959 and was seconded by Commissioner Kennedy.

Commissioner Guip asked if there was any discussion.

Commissioner Guip requested that Chief Petruch take a roll call vote.

Chief Petruch took a roll call vote.

Commissioner Ward, "Aye"

Commissioner Kennedy, "Aye"

Commissioner Guip, "Aye"

Commissioner Guip stated, "Vote is unanimous, and the motion carries."

Chief Petruch read Resolution 960 promoting two Corporals Joshua Gonzales and Barry Clanton, to Sergeants effective from and after 12:01 AM, December 8, 2019.

Commissioner Kennedy made a motion to accept Resolution 960 and was seconded by Commissioner Ward.

Commissioner Guip asked if there was any discussion.

Commissioner Guip requested that Chief Petruch take a roll call vote.

Chief Petruch took a roll call vote.

Commissioner Ward, "Aye"

Commissioner Kennedy, "Aye"

Commissioner Guip, "Aye"

Commissioner Guip stated, "Vote is unanimous, and the motion carries."

Chief Petruch read Resolution 961 promoting three Patrolmen Gary Henry Jr, Matthew Vasel, and Kevin Furman, to Corporal effective from and after 12:01 AM, December 8, 2019.

Commissioner Ward made a motion to accept Resolution 961 and was seconded by Commissioner Kennedy.

Commissioner Guip asked if there was any discussion.

Commissioner Guip requested that Chief Petruch take a roll call vote.

Chief Petruch took a roll call vote.

Commissioner Ward, "Aye"

Commissioner Kennedy, "Aye"

Commissioner Guip, "Aye"

Commissioner Guip stated, "Vote is unanimous, and the motion carries."

Chief Petruch presented Resolution 962 approving Probationary Patrolman Nicholas A. Wright to be effective from and after 12:01 AM, December 16, 2019. This position will be for the duration of a one-year probationary period from this date and that the rate of pay will be set by the Chief of Police for the first year of employment.

Commissioner Kennedy made a motion to accept Resolution 962 and was seconded by Commissioner Ward.

Commissioner Guip asked if there was any discussion.

Commissioner Guip requested that Chief Petruch take a roll call vote.

Chief Petruch took a roll call vote.

Commissioner Ward, "Aye"

Commissioner Kennedy, "Aye"

Commissioner Guip, "Aye"

Commissioner Guip stated, "Vote is unanimous, and the motion carries."

Chief Petruch presented Resolution 963 approving Two Probationary Patrolmen Jacob T. Olson and Thomas A. Decero, to be effective

from and after 12:01 AM, January 5, 2020. This position will be for the duration of a one-year probationary period from this date and that the rate of pay will be set by the Chief of Police for the first year of employment.

Commissioner Kennedy made a motion to accept Resolution 963 and was seconded by Commissioner Ward.

Commissioner Guip asked if there was any discussion.

Commissioner Guip requested that Chief Petruch take a roll call vote.

Chief Petruch took a roll call vote.

Commissioner Ward, "Aye"

Commissioner Kennedy, "Aye"

Commissioner Guip, "Aye"

Commissioner Guip stated, "Vote is unanimous, and the motion carries."

ITEM VI

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Kennedy made motion to adjourn and was seconded by Commissioner Ward.

Commissioner Guip stated all in favor signify by saying, "Aye."

All replied, "Aye."

Commissioner Guip stated, "Opposed, same sign."

Commissioner Guip stated, "Adjourn."

AS THERE WAS NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.